

# GRAND OPERA HOUSE

PROGRAMME

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Under the direction of Mr. E. B. Jack

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A MAN OF IDEAS



AN ORIGINAL COMEDY

BY SIDNEY ROSENFELD.

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THE TWO BEST  
5c. CIGARS  
IN THE  
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For sale only by myself.  
Also a complete line of High-class Goods.

Try NOLAN'S Unrivalled Smoking MIXTURE

JOE NOLAN Opera Cigar Store  
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IS YOUR RAZOR DULL ?



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WILL SHARPEN THE Dullest  
RAZOR, OR MONEY REFUNDED

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About the Cigar you smoke, and want  
it at a reasonable price, call at

W. J. CLARK'S

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"MY FRIEND FROM CUBA"

A 10c. Cigar for 5c.

THIS PROGRAMME ...

IS FROM THE PRESS OF

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PATRONAGE

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MISERY OR HAPPINESS

IT ALL DEPENDS ON THE  
KIND OF CIGAR YOU SMOKE

RARE-BIT

THE BEST 5c. CIGAR  
MADE

## Office Restaurant

**378 RICHMOND  
ST.**

**FRESH LAGER.** BEST BRANDS OF ALL KINDS OF  
LIQUORS AND CIGARS. MEALS AT ALL HOURS.  
THE FINEST BRANDS OF OYSTERS.

**D. SARE,**  
Proprietor.

... AT THE ...

## Ladies' Restaurant

**220 DUNDAS STREET**

You can spend a pleasant hour after the Opera. Our Candies are delicious. They are made fresh daily, and are pure and reliable. Beware of imitations and cheap candies they are injurious to your health. See that **SHORT BROS.** is stamped on every box and you will find that it contains a delicious confection. The Latest Novelties for Opera, Whist, Skating and Sleighting Parties.

## OUR CHINAWARE

For the table is beautifully designed and artistically colored. Every piece is made of good China; is thoroughly burned and well glazed. Our prices are right. They show that we buy closely and sell closely.

**A SPECIAL LINE OF  
HOLIDAY GOODS.**

**YEO'S ... 177 DUNDAS  
CHINA HALL ST.**

## THE TEGUMSEH

LONDON, ONT.



**FIRST-CLASS  
IN ALL  
APPOINTMENTS.**

**SPECIAL RATES ...  
FOR COMPANIES**

**CHAS. W. DAVIS,**  
Proprietor.

## Yellow Snow

Would look odd, but not any more so than a shirt bosom. You want your laundry the proverbial snow white—that's the way we make it.

**FOREST CITY  
STEAM LAUNDRY** 74 KING ST.

## CAST OF CHARACTERS.

Foseo Wales, of New York, a great manipulator... **MR. ROLAND REED**  
Fred. Olney, the mayor of a growing Western town... **Mr. Earle Browne**  
Cumberland Stine, a growing Western youth... **Mr. Chas. S. Abbe**  
Woodbird... { Aldermen of the town  
Bramstoke.. { aforesaid...  
..... { Mr. Sheridan Tupper  
..... { Mr. L. P. Hicks  
Lesley Cadsby, an imported stage director,... **Mr. Owen Westford**  
Mr. Ox, architect and builder... **Mr. Julian Reed**  
Mr. Pry, process server... **Mr. Jas. Douglass**  
Kitty, the Mayor's sister... **Miss Maud White**  
Mrs. Olney, her mother... **Mrs. Mary Myers**  
Alice, daughter of Wales. **Miss Monte Donico**  
AND  
Grace Marvel, a widow... **MISS ISADORE RUSH**

## A New Attraction

For Lovers of Music

## THE Matchless

## Bell

## Piano

WITH  
ORCHESTRAL  
ATTACHMENT

NEW SCALE  
NEW DESIGNS OF CASES  
UP-TO-DATE IDEAS  
REASONABLE PRICES

**BELL WAREROOMS:**

**167 DUNDAS ST.  
... LONDON.**

**L. G. MERCER, Manager London District.**

## SATISFACTION

*There is a great satisfaction when drinking a cup of Coffee in knowing positively that it is the best Coffee possible for anyone to have. That is the assurance when you sip a cup of our Mocha or Java at 40c. per lb. The very flavor is enough to make you smack your lips, and if you were to pay double the price, quality could not be higher. The same can be said of our Teas also, as the following list will show:*

English Breakfast Blend,	60c.	worth 80c
Club House..	50c	" 65c
Five O'Clock Tea	40c	" 50c
Household	35c	" 45c
Special	25c	" 40c

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**286 DUNDAS ST., LONDON, ONT**

## W. T. STRONG & CO.

## Dispensing Chemists ...

**184 DUNDAS ST.,  
LONDON.**

MARRIAGE LICENSES ISSUED.

## IT NATURALLY FOLLOWS

That you have to pay more in the large stores. Large profits are required to pay high rents, etc. My place is small, rent low and profit meagre, but my work will compare favorably with the best. If you have your own cloth, bring it along, and I will make it up in the best possible style, and the cost will be reasonable.

## FAIRBAIRN

OPPOSITE THE  
CITY HALL TAILOR  
UP STAIRS

**DON'T HANG ON TO THE REAR  
OF THE CHARIOT OF PROGRESS**

**GET ON THE SEAT**

AND SMOKE

**RARE-BIT, 5 CENT  
CIGAR**

**RICHARDSON SELLS GOOD COAL**



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WE ARE SHOWING THE  
LATEST EFFECTS IN...

## SUITINGS AND OVERGOATINGS

Those contemplating the addition  
of a **DRESS SUIT** to their  
wardrobe will find it to their ad-  
vantage to see us before purchasing  
elsewhere. Orders executed on the  
shortest possible notice.



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372 RICHMOND ST.

## The White Restaurant

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THE LEADING RESTAURANT OF THE CITY.  
LUNCHES SERVED AT ALL HOURS.  
ALWAYS OPEN AFTER THE SHOW.

MRS. CURRELL, Prop.

# HA! HA! HA!



Like the funny man in the show, we  
laugh at all competition in our line  
of trade. Laugh one, laugh all!  
then leave your order for something  
choice in.....

Meats, Poultry, Game, &c.

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## BREEN'S

735 RICHMOND ST.  
'PHONE 944.

DELIVERED FREE TO ALL PARTS OF CITY.

## YOUR AD.

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twenty cents per night. You  
are the judge of whether it  
would be well read. You  
have read this ad., others  
will read yours. Drop a  
postal to Box Office and  
solicitor w'll call on you.

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COLLECTIONS OF BRIC-A-BRAC  
AND FINE ARTISTIC CHINA

From Doultons, Mintons, Wedgwoods, Royal Worcester, Crown Derby, Rudolstadt,  
Sevres, Royal Dresden, Copenhagen, Dutch; also Cut Glass in large variety.  
Our collection for this year supersedes any display ever made by us.

W. J. REID & CO., Crystal Hall.

## SYNOPSIS.

Time—Now.

Place—A Thriving Western City.

Act I.—Reception at the Young Mayor's.

Act II.—The "Forest of Arden."

Act III.—At the Widow's.

### EXECUTIVE STAFF FOR MR. REED.

Business Manager..... Harry A. Smith  
Stage Manager..... Julian Reed  
Assistant Stage Manager..... James Douglas

The GERHARD HEINTZMAN Piano  
used in this Opera House was supplied  
by W. McPHILLIPS. Warerooms 229  
Dundas Street, London.

## GRIGG HOUSE

LONDON, ONT.

The Leading Commercial House  
of the West.

SPECIAL RATES TO  
THEATRICAL PEOPLE.

M. O'MEARA,  
PROPRIETOR.



## BULBS...

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SEE THE NOVELTIES AT

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15-16 Masonic Temple, London

'Tis almost second nature for an actor to relate stories,  
even of a funeral nature, in as entertaining a manner as  
possible.

Mr. Goodwin is accredited with talking about it the  
other day.

"For instance," said he, "what's the use of going into  
all the harrowing details. Leave something to the  
imagination. Now, take for example, suppose you read  
something like this in the paper:

"In Boston the other day, a man thought he could  
cross the track in advance of a locomotive. The services  
at the grave were very impressive." Or

"A man in Maryland ate fifty raw oysters on a wager.  
The silver trimmings on his coffin cost \$12.50." Or

"A Chicago man warned his wife not to light the fire  
with kerosene. She did not heed the warning. Her  
clothes fit his second wife admirably well." Or

"A Londoner got tired of buying coal haphazard,  
because it was cheap, and now buys it from Cameron.  
As a result the doctor never calls, and he and his family  
are happy all the time." 'Tis brief, but really al-  
sufficient. Office, Hiscox Building; Yard, Barwell St.,  
at G. T. R.

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MAKE HIM GIVE IT TO YOU

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Richardson Sells Only the BEST of DRY MAPLE WOOD



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PHOTOGRAPHER

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